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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Robert F. "Bob" Issel, who passed away on June 3, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Issel was born in Chicago to Louis and Hilda Issel on November 11, 1937; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Issel was a member of the Knollwood Fire Department for 37 years, where he rose through the ranks, retiring as fire chief in 1997, when he passed the department leadership to his son, Michael; he was a leader and innovator, overseeing the construction of a new fire station, bringing the Knollwood Fire Department to the forefront of modern firefighting; he continued his love for the fire service by serving the residents of Knollwood as District Trustee for an additional 10 years; and

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WHEREAS, Bob Issel was also an active member of the Lake County Fire Chiefs and Illinois Volunteer Firemen's Associations; he was a pioneer in the Lake County Firemen's Convention, participating in and coaching his men to numerous county championships; he owned and operated Northern Electric Service, Inc., a family-owned and operated business, which he passed on to his eldest son, Michael, in 2001; and

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1           WHEREAS, Bob Issel was the beloved husband of Patricia; the  
2 proud and loving father of Michael (Elizabeth), Mary  
3 Issel-Harper, and Kevin (Alison); the amazing and caring  
4 grandfather to Patrick, Shannon (Christopher) Johnson, Michael  
5 (Carrie) Harper, Delanie, and Payton; the proud  
6 great-grandfather to Mia Johnson and Emma and Lincoln Harper;  
7 the adored son-in-law of Cecilia Murphy; the cherished brother  
8 by marriage to Kathy Faust and Mary Jane Murphy; brother to Ken  
9 (Sue) and Bill (Helen) Issel; and loving uncle to many;  
10 therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13 Robert F. "Bob" Issel, and extend our sincere condolences to  
14 his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
15 further

16           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Bob Issel as an expression of our  
18 deepest sympathy.